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### **NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY** - April 2, 2007

United States Attorney Karen P. Hewitt, announced that Eldrick Dana Jenkins was sentenced today in federal court in San Diego by United States District Judge Larry Alan Burns to serve 12 years in custody, followed by three years' supervised release, and ordered to forfeit \$20,766 based on his guilty plea to a charge of conspiring to distribute cocaine.

According to court documents, from September 1999 to November 2001, Jenkins conspired with multiple individuals to distribute kilogram quantities of cocaine in San Diego, St. Louis, and elsewhere. As described in the court documents, an investigation linked Jenkins to: the seizure of two kilograms of cocaine at Lindbergh Field in September 1999; the seizure of more than \$60,000 in United States currency at the airport in St. Louis; the sale of nine ounces of cocaine to an undercover police officer in July 2001; and the seizure of \$20,766 in United States currency from Jenkins in November 2001.

At sentencing, Judge Burns found that Jenkins, whose prior record includes convictions for two robberies, being a felon in possession of a firearm, and distribution of cocaine base, was a manager or supervisor in the cocaine conspiracy and a career offender under federal sentencing guidelines.

This investigation was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Violent Crimes Task Force, Gang Group. The task force is composed of law enforcement officers from the FBI, Immigrations and Customs Enforcement, the San Diego Police Department, the San Diego Sheriff's Department, and the San Diego County District Attorney's Office.

**DEFENDANT**

**Case Number 04cr3105-J**

Name: Eldrick Dana Jenkins

**SUMMARY OF CHARGES**

Count 1 - Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841 and 846 –  
Conspiracy to Distribute Cocaine

**INVESTIGATING AGENCIES**

FBI Violent Crimes Task Force – Gang Group